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E.O. 11652:

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SUBJECT:LUNT-PERALTA CASE

REF.:LISBON 1639

ROME FOR ILLING

1. DEPT. APPRECIATES EMBASSY'S EFFORTS TO EFFECT EXCHANGE OF CUBAN CAPTAIN PERALTA NOW DETAINED BY NEW PORTUGUESE JUNTA FOR U.S. CITIZEN LUNT IN CUBAN PRISON.

2. LUNT FAMILY LAWYER WAINWRIGHT WILL ARRIVE IN LISBON WEDNESDAY MORNING MAY 1 AND WISHES TO CONSULT WITH AMBASSADOR. IN ANY FURTHER APPROACHES TO NEW PORTUGUESE JUNTA, COOPERATION OF BELGIAN AMBASSADOR AND VATICAN REPRESENTATIVE MIGHT BE HELPFUL. IT WAS THE VATICAN'S REPRESENTATIVE IN HAVANA WHO ORIGINALLY RECEIVED CUBAN OFFER OF LUNT FOR PERALTA EXCHANGE AND PRESUMABLY WOULD SERVE AS CHANNEL FOR CONVEYING PORTUGUESE ACQUIESCENCE. HOWEVER, TIMING AND TACTICS OF FOLLOW-UP WITH GOP ARE LEFT TO AMBASSADOR'S JUDGMENT.

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3. PLEASE REPEAT ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON DEVELOPMENTS

IN THE CASE TO AMEMBASSY BRUSSELS AND ROME FOR ILLING.
DEPARTMENT SENDING TELEGRAM TODAY TO BRUSSELS AND ROME
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